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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: PATRICK et al.

Attorney Docket No.:  
LAM1P061/P0318

Application No.: 08/925,985

Examiner: MARKOFF, A.

Filed: September 9, 1997

Group: 1746

Title: APPARATUS FOR IMPROVING ETCH  
UNIFORMITY AND METHODS THEREFOR

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTALCommissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

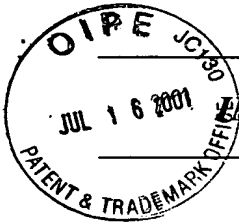
Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

|  | Claims<br>After<br>Amendment |       | Highest<br>Previously<br>Paid For | Present<br>Extra | Small Entity<br>Rate Fee | Large Entity<br>Rate Fee |
|--|------------------------------|-------|-----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| Total Claims   | 18                           | MINUS | 20                                | 0                | x 9 =                    | x 18 = -0-               |
| Independent<br>Claims  | 2                            | MINUS | 3                                 | 0                | x 39 =                   | x 78 = -0-               |
| Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid |                              |       |                                   |                  | \$130.00                 | \$260.00                 |
| Total  |                              |       |                                   |                  | \$                       | \$-0-                    |

- ☐ Applicant(s) hereby petition for a \_\_\_\_\_ (s) extension of time to respond to the  
aforementioned Office Action.
- ☒ Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is  
determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension  
be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time  
under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 50-0388 (Order No. LAM1P061).
- ☐ Enclosed is our Check No. \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ to cover the additional  
claim fee and/or extension of time fees.
- ☒ Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the  
enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 50-0388 (Order No. LAM1P061).

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AMENDMENT TO PLACE IN CONDITION FOR APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

To correct a typographical error to place the claims in better form for appeal, please  
amend as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend Claim 30 as follows:

30. (Once Amended) The method of claim 25 wherein said etch is a metallization etch  
and said substantially pure metallic [material] planar upper surface comprises 99.999% pure  
aluminum.

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